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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 28, 2006,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including the following documents is attached
following page 8 of this paper:

- 1) U.S. Patent No. 4,731,218 issued March 15, 1988 to
Damhorst et al.; and
- 2) Title page and pages 2, 3 and 22 of "Terminology of
Man-Made Fibers", published in 2006 by the
International Bureau for the Standardisation of Man-
Made Fibres.